LCO No. 5717

AN ACT CONCERNING ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION COMPANY SERVICE RESTORATION FOR CUSTOMERS WITH SERIOUS HEALTH CONDITIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 16-32h of the general statutes is amended by adding subsection (i) as follows (*Effective October 1, 2015*):
- 3 (NEW) (i) The Public Utilities Regulatory Authority shall initiate a
- 4 docket to establish industry specific standards for acceptable
- 5 performance by each utility in an emergency to protect customers who
- 6 are diagnosed with a serious health condition, as defined in section 31-
- 7 51kk. Such standards shall require prioritizing and facilitating
- 8 restoration of service outages and disruptions and reducing the
- 9 duration of such outages and disruptions for such customers,
- 10 including, but not be limited to, the following requirements for each
- 11 such utility:
- 12 (1) Keeping an updated list of customers who are diagnosed with a
- 13 serious health condition;
- 14 (2) Publishing relevant information on its Internet web site
- 15 regarding how a customer may notify the utility regarding a serious
- 16 health condition; and

17 (3) Providing staff training on how to promptly restore service outages and disruptions for customers with a serious health condition.

| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following |
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